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## F. T. C. Allotted \$85,000 For Repairs

### "DAISY MAYME" WELL RECEIVED BY CAPACITY AUDIENCE

**Outstanding Performances  
By The Entire Cast  
Give Production Finesse**

The Dramatic Club presentation, "Daisy Mayme" was enthusiastically received by a capacity audience. Outstanding performances were given by the entire cast.

The characters of many types of women were portrayed by the girls of the cast. Barbara Baldwin, as Daisy Mayme showed a middle-aged, disillusioned woman who has managed to retain her sense of humor. Miss Baldwin's naturalness and stage poise made her acting in the title role unusual.

Mary Ward, as May Fenner, gave a sympathetic performance

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### OUR FRESHMEN ARE AN INTERESTING LOT

All the Freshmen, except last year's Freshmen, and the Freshmen of the year before, insist that this year's Freshmen are the most modest group that ever entered the portals (a door, gate, or entrance) of this institution.

We have a few accurate statistics in regard to the Freshmen:

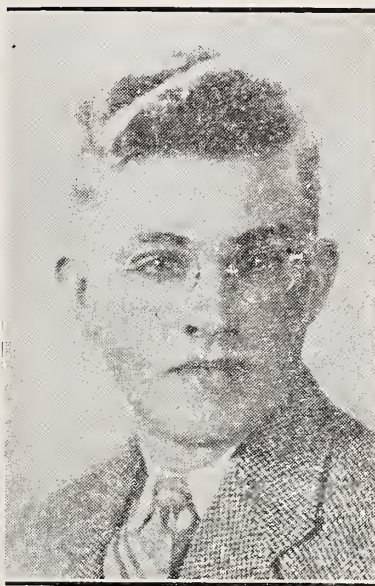
Tallest, John Sobol

Shortest, Thomas Goulart

Heaviest, Lawrence Genader

Mr. Sullivan would not allow us to use his chemical balance

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**John Murphy**

### EDUCATION WEEK TO BE OBSERVED

"Education for To-morrow's America" is the general theme of the eighteenth American Education week to be observed during the week of November 6.

Throughout the nation teachers, parents, citizens and all those actively interested in our educational systems will focus their thoughts on the schools, their doings, their needs, and their part in the complex world of today. In collaboration with the American Legion, the National Education Association has published a new plan to assist the schools in conducting the observance. It consists of daily topics and leaflets for general admin-

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### EXTENSIVE REPAIRS AROUND CAMPUS ARE MUCH NEEDED

**Damage Done By Recent  
Hurricane Responsible For  
Legislature's Quick Action**

In the special session of the State Legislature called by Governor Hurley last week for special appropriations for hurricane rehabilitation work, the Fitchburg State Teachers College was allotted approximately \$85,000 to be used in improving the grounds and campus, repairing the buildings, and extensive construction on the athletic field.

Landscapers will remove and dispose of one-hundred fallen trees, cut and trim damaged trees, remove all stumps, straighten about one-hundred loosened trees on the hillside adjoining the campus, as well as replant many new trees.

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### TWELVE DELEGATES AT SALEM CONFERENCE

Last Friday, twelve delegates attended the conference at Salem at which members of the papers of the Framingham, Bridgewater, Salem, and Fitchburg Teachers Colleges participated for the purpose of bettering individual college journalism.

Following the lunch served in the cafeteria, President Sullivan greeted the group. He emphasized that among all extra-curricula

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### Dramatic Club Ideals

The Dramatic Club and Miss Nixon are to be congratulated for the splendid work they did in "Daisy Mayme". More important than the play itself are the things the play can stand for.

It is the first major production of any one club under the new Student Cooperative Association. One might have expected friction and dissatisfaction between the two organizations, but the leaders of both groups worked successfully to prevent any of these undesirable things. One might have expected members of the Dramatic Club to complain that since no money would go into their coffers they should not work with the same zeal and effort that they had exerted in former years. However, this complaining was never heard and the club worked as diligently and unremittingly as ever to make their production a source of pride as well as revenue for the school.

When we consider "Daisy Mayme" from the point of what it has done for the school besides giving us pleasure we see not only a major production of one club under the S. C. A. but the

## THE ASH TRAY

Russ Gearin

As an ash tray is only a receptacle for unwanted materials which have lost all economic value, it would be a contradiction in itself were anyone to take out something of value. Therefore pursuing, to the limit, this theory I hesitate to write this column for it can't possibly be of any value for then it would be misplaced. Despite this handicap I shall endeavor to amuse and perhaps drop a thought here and there.

Anecdotes are always amusing and here is one that happened while the relating of anecdotes was in progress in Mr. Harrington's class in methods.

One fellow happened to lean just a little bit too far back in his chair (honest) and over he went. After much embarrassment on his part, the class was once again in order. Not for long, however, for another "fair haired" Junior tipped over a chair loaded with books. Mr. Harrington looked up

first link in a chain that will pull all the clubs in our college closer and closer to the principal organization—the Student Cooperative Association.

More power to you D. C. for your fine spirit! May the clubs follow the example you have set!

—Helen Gibson

### Editors Note.

There should be no inference drawn from the above editorial that the students have not paid into the coffers of the Dramatic Club their admission price. Through the blanket fee they have done this.

The Club does deserve praise in that the members worked hard selling tickets to outsiders knowing that the money would go into another treasury.

over his glasses and with that dry humor which characterizes him he said, "Please boys, leave the back wall but if it has to go, women and children first".

Now that the Frosh reception is over, I can still count the freshmen I know on the fingers of one hand. I would like to see a minstrel show. There is much that could be said in favor of it.

### THE COUNCIL REPORTS:

The Student Cooperative Council agreed during an informal discussion on publicity Monday that a Council member should cooperate with THE STICK reporter in deciding upon Council news for the paper.

William Donovan, head of the Pass Book Committee, announced that on Wednesday students would receive their Pass Books which contain tickets of admission to the following College presentations: Dramatic Club Play, Glee Club Operetta, Men's or Women's Banquet, All School Social, Gav-Hawk Entertainment, and Sax Dance.

### SCHEDULE WEEK OF NOV. 7

#### Monday

4:00—Intra-Mural football.

#### Tuesday

11:00—Assembly

Soccer (away) F. T. C. vs. Dartmouth.

4:00—Girls' hockey.

#### Wednesday

12:35—Intra-Mural Board Meeting.

4:00—Intra-Mural football.

4:00—Girls' hockey.

6:30—Women's Gov. Banquet.

#### Thursday

4:00—Soccer practice.

#### Friday

4:00—Soccer practice.

#### Saturday

2:00—Soccer (here) F. T. C. vs. Bridgewater.



## YOUR FEATURE EDITOR SPEAKS HIS MIND

I think the time has come when the feature department of THE STICK should have its say. This department, in its work connected with the Ash Tray and Campus Chatter, has an unusual kind of responsibility, both to the paper and to the students. It must provide the tinsel which sells the really important product. Mind you, the implication is not that the Tray and Chatter are worth very little, but that they in themselves do not make a newspaper. From a personal standpoint, the majority of them have an intrinsic value, for they are an application of "All work and no play makes Jack a dull boy."

Our Ash Tray problem is to have them written. The editor contacts persons whom he thinks will write a good Tray. Up to date, we have been successful in signing up willing individuals. At the present time, we have a list of four students who will write them during the coming month. We now fear two things: a shortage, and an accusation of partiality. We wish to convince each student that we are simply begging him or her to send in an Ash Tray, even though we do not ask him personally.

Now, what is an Ash Tray? No one knows. If there ever comes a time when anyone can define an Ash Tray, then we will probably have some dried-up thing like Emily Post's "don'ts," or Winchell's insensibilities.

Here is a general definition, from a personal standpoint:

It may be humorous, philosophical, or just pleasing chatter. A blend of these three in one Ash Tray is a gift from heaven. We do not think that it should be pure literature, as we know it. Neither should it be Journalese.

Now, about the Campus Chat-

## EXCHANGES

Have you seen our Exchanges on the library reading table? Yes, we do exchange school papers with other colleges. You'll find them on the reading table in the library, and they're really fun to read. The editorials are interesting and the jokes are good. You'll also get a good idea of what's going on at other colleges if you take a few minutes off and read these papers.

ter. The first thing that comes to most minds is that it is written by one single individual who has a flair for the Winchellia; or perhaps is Bugs on Baer.

The feature editor, at the beginning of the year, thought that giving whole Campus Chatter assignments to different individuals from week to week would work well.

So far, this has proven unsuccessful, except in one instance. Assignments have been given, and taken in good faith, with plenty of confidence that a good Campus Chatter would come through. When the assigned person began to work on his Chatter, he suddenly realized that it was a tough job. Very few of us, as single individuals, know what is going on in this place and that place. Our knowledge is a knowledge of minorities.

After long hours of mental cogitations, the person who is supposed to write the Chatter becomes deperate. He finally feels that he must knock someone, instead of giving a person a boost. Aren't we all?

We on the staff are not prudes, nor do we want a "dry paper." We wish that people would stop thinking that there is an unusual amount of pressure placed upon THE STICK. The only pressure we feel is that of our own respon-

## WHY SHOULD NORTH ST. NEED RECONSTRUCTING?

The road construction on Pearl Street and Highland Avenue has caused some inconvenience to commuting students who drive cars and to classes being held on the south side of the administration building, but the work being done is of most important value to the institution. The city is installing a twelve inch high pressure water main for the sole purpose of providing adequate fire protection for our college buildings.

About two years ago the local fire department conducted a water pressure test on our campus and discovered the need for the reconstruction of the water system adjacent to our buildings.

The total payroll for the work done by students immediately following the hurricane amounted to \$325.

sibility to each student. We recognize a certain integrity, a feeling that we shall be responsible if later on in life someone approached us and says, "You should not have printed that comment of mine. I am very sorry that I ever wrote it."

We have had our say. Now it is up to the whole student body. Campus chatter from each student should be forthcoming. Humorous incidents, original puns, informal camera-shot comments, observations from unusual angles, are what we need. We hate to borrow material from outside sources. That is commercial newspaper stuff.

How about it? Send in your little campus observations, and we shall feel honored. Please sign your name to them, for we like to know to whom we should be especially grateful.

Emile P. Brochu  
Feature Editor  
Box 493

## LOUIS UNTERMAYER TO VISIT F. T. C.

We find the following extract from the Bridgewater "Campus Comment":

"Because of the success of last year's main lecture, by Robert Tristram Coffin, the State Teachers Colleges at Fitchburg and Hyannis have been anxious to collaborate with Bridgewater in presenting another outstanding program.

This year negotiations are being made for the presentation of Louis Untermeyer, famous modern poet."

More power to those in charge of negotiations. More definite details in the matter will be forthcoming in THE STICK.

## THREE UNDERCLASSES STANDARDIZE RINGS

At a meeting of the three underclasses in the small assembly hall, Oct. 24, it was voted to standardize the class ring and stone for three years and recommend that the Council standardize it permanently as a college ring.

Previous to this meeting the Junior, Sophomore, and Freshmen classes decided separately to purchase the same ring and then meet together to choose the stone. Led by Ray Lowe the three classes chose a green stone, after a hot and heavy discussion which lasted about an hour. The favorites were ruby and green with the sentiment for each about even, but somehow or other the final decision was green.

The ring is the same one many of the previous graduating classes have chosen and with the green stone; it was voted to recommend the Council to standardize both as a permanent college ring.

The company from whom the rings are to be purchased has agreed to give each class president and the chairman of the ring committee from each class a ring free of charge.

## DO YOU KNOW?

Do you know what the library hours are?

7:30—5:00 Monday, Wednesday, Thursday.

7:30—6:15 Tuesday, Friday.

9:00—1:15 Saturday.

## SALEM CONFERENCE

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activities, the college paper contributes most toward mental development. The members then, according to their interests, divided into groups for constructive discussion.

However the highlight of the day was the visit to the "Salem News" where all processes of editing and printing of news were thoroughly and interestingly explained. Most impressing was the recent printing press which printed, cut, folded, and numbered the newspapers. The machine will produce 64,000 copies of a 64 page paper per hour. All delegates were given copies "hot off the press."

Later Mr. Jackson, night editor of the "Salem News", addressed the group at the college, the topic of his discourse being, "Principles Underlying Functions of a Newspaper." In his lecture he tied up teaching with newspaper work, declaring that the reader is responsible for the so-called scandal sheets, and yellow journalism. The teacher's duty is to educate the child to read and appreciate better the possibility and function of good newspaper work.

Members attending the conference from Fitchburg were: Virginia Schmidt, Mary Disken, Constance Day, Marie Neudorf, Barbara Fisher, Herbert Downs, Lester Aldrich, Alfred Turner, Robert Manning, Thomas Passio, and Mr. Hague. Mr. Hague, Donald Johnson, Ray Edwards, and William Groves were the drivers.

There is no meaner act than that of one who taunts another with a past mistake.

## OUR FRESHMEN

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to determine who was the lightest person.

If we ask any Freshmen, "Is 'Curly' Hapgood the best singer in your bunch?" he answers, "No! I am!"

Full many a modest Freshman is born to blush unseen.

Edgar "Father Devine" Lord admits, but not very reluctantly, who was the best looking gal, wigger in the group. Lordly, never take up eyebrow-raising.

Everyone except Tony Tasca says that Tony Tasca is *not* the best shagger in the class.

The Freshmen boys were asked who was the best looking gal, and we received a long list. All we can say is that love *must* be blind.

We are told that Theodore Pierce was the smartest. Oh yeh? Wait until the marks come in. Teddy.

The Freshmen were making too much noise for us to determine which one was the loudest. The Stick intends to purchase an applause-machine for such future emergencies.

The consensus of opinion was that Thomas Moran was the quietest. He won't be when he sees this.

John James seems to be the farthest away from home. He comes from Burlington, Vermont. That is not Australia, but it will do. Homesick?

Joe McManus is considered to be the wittiest. From what we have seen of his pantomining, we agree. If anyone disputes that, will he please send in his stuff to the Campus Chatter?

It takes a lot of strength to climb up, but it takes even more strength to climb down without barking your shins.



## J. V. SOCCER GAME

Nichols Junior College of Dudley defeated F. T. C.'s J. V. team 3-1 in a soccer game filled with novice action at Clancy Field in Fitchburg.

The J. V. team kept the ball deep in enemy territory during the majority of the game, but their only point came as a result of a free kick by Miller. Nichols however took advantage of their scoring opportunities and booted in one in the first half and two in the second.

Outstanding for Fitchburg were Gray, Cyganawicz, Loiko, Shinner and Miller. For Nichols, Volle and Noble played exceptionally fine soccer.

### THE LINEUPS :

F. T. C.	Nichols Junior College	
Gray	g	Gross
Cyganawicz	rf	Wing
Loiko	lf	Knight
Onischuck	rh	Whitney
Shinner	ch	Currier
Donovan	lh	Cawley
Tasca	or	Codder
Killelea	ir	Merritt
Miller	cf	Volle
Burns	il	Tranner
Konsavage	ol	Noble
Subs.: F.T.C.; Siegel, Resh,		
Brennan, Tamminen.		

Goals: Miller, Whitney, Volle, Noble.

Referee, Hammond.

## GIRLS AT KEENE

Twenty-five F. T. C. girls accompanied by Miss Bolger and Miss Stafford will leave early tomorrow morning, by bus, for Keene Normal School to try their skills at hockey, bowling, tennis, badminton, volley-ball, and archery. Keene's Fall Sports Day is an all-social non-competitive affair and is eagerly attended by the lucky girls chosen by the A. A.'s of several colleges.

For the past four years Fitchburg girls have gone to Keene for a sports day and last fall entertained Keene at a hockey play day.

## GIRLS' VARSITY TRIMS ALUMNI, 4-1

In the first minute of the fast moving Alumnae vs. Varsity Hockey Game last Saturday morning, Hughes scored a point for the varsity, displaying the superior strength which lead to a 4-1 victory over the alumnae. Throughout the second half Varsity was held to a 2-0 score, Scozik scoring a point.

When Maddy Godek came to the aid of the Alumnae as goalie in the second half, Funialoe scored the only point for the Alumnae. Twice more Scozik scored for the Varsity in the second half, making the 4-1 score.

This game, played for fun, was a revival of the traditional official alumnae hockey game; which for the past three years has not been played.

Playing for the alumnae were Parker, Funialoe, Critchley, Lovell, Miss Stafford, and Godek. Varsity Line-up was: Disken, Connelly, Scozik, Hughes, O'Connor, Clifford, Day, Lyons, Thurlow, Neudorf, Coombs, Lally, Lagsdin, and Moriarty.

## WOMEN'S BANQUET

To continue the traditional method of bettering social relationship among themselves, the women of the college will hold their annual banquet in the dining room of Palmer Hall, on November ninth.

The women are looking forward to this event with an enhanced eagerness for they feel that it is a real get-together—a time when they will enjoy a delightful and hearty meal, a great deal of fun in conversing and singing, and then, after the banquet, dancing in the library with the escorts whom they have invited.

Work for the affair has been carried on for more than a week by the various committees in charge.

## Junior B, 18—Sophomore B, 0

Monday afternoon at 3:15 witnessed the opening of the Intra-Mural Sports program, when Junior B defeated Sophomore B 18-0 and Seniors tied Freshmen C 6-6 in two closely contested touch football games.

Junior B had things much their own way as Colson scored on a pass over the line early in the second quarter, followed immediately by a 40-yard scoring jaunt by Matthews after he had intercepted a pass. The Juniors final score came on a Sweeney to O'Connell pass into the end zone.

In the Senior—Freshmen C game, after Foye's long run in the first quarter had set the ball in scoring position a pass to "Jesse" James brought them their lone score. In the second quarter the Seniors retaliated by way of a long pass to Ciavola who scored after a short run. As the schedule calls for elimination of teams this game will undoubtedly have to be played over.

Thursday finds the Junior A being opposed by Freshman A. While on Monday November 7, Sophomore A opposes Freshmen B and Junior B plays its second round game.

Other class teams; Are you going to let Junior B run away with intra-mural sports again this year? How about some competition? This means *you* Freshmen.

## W. A. A. PEP RALLY

Anna Clifford, Elizabeth O'Connor, and Connie Day, reported on the business and social sides of the North Adams athletic conference, at W. A. A. Pep Rally in the usual assembly period Thursday. Anna explained the award system to the new girls, and there was a general discussion of the Trip to Keene. The meeting concluded with all the girls singing the team and W. A. A. songs.

## Campus Chatter

### Oddities—

Ray Creamer's healthiness.  
 Bev O'Donnell's busy-ness.  
 Dan Sullivan's pencil-striped suit.  
 Sirkka Wari's new boy-friend.  
 Ed Driscoll's rotundity.  
 Herbie Downs' energy.  
 Don Johnson's "don't let your trouser cuffs drag on the floor" slouch.  
 Henry Kosciusko's door-busting walk.  
 Roger Holt's nonenticity.  
 Joe Romano's cauliflower.  
 Ethel Mandrus' meltiness.  
 Ursula Mulcahy's disgust.  
 Paul Deveikis' wisp of hair.  
 Chet Smith's hurt expression.  
 Les Aldrich's big hands.  
 Henry Lambert's perpetual fear of tympanums.  
 Bill Miller's bragging about the Millers.  
 Joe Lalli's veracity.  
 Jim Sullivan's frown.  
 Al Cousins' pink cheeks.  
 O'Sheasy's Gary Cooperish angularity.  
 George T. Joseph's irridescence.  
 Mayo Tripp's stiff collar appearance.  
 Yutch Harvey, whistling to a dog.  
 Ben Freeman's lack of water.  
 Hubey Edmond's longevity.  
 Arnold Hanson's loquaciousness.  
 Ray Lowe's left-handed virility.  
 Eileen Connelly's amused smile.  
 Brennan's irresistible walk.  
 Onerva Heikkinen's puzzled expression.  
 Sally Donovan's new teeth.  
 Clemmer's radicalism.  
 Paul Kirby's unobtrusiveness.

### "Daisy Mayme" Presented

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of an appealing young girl caught up in family difficulties, while Dorothy Sears, as Ruth Fenner, gave a well-balanced and skillful interpretation of a designing young woman determined to get along in the world.

Charlotte Hanson, in the difficult role of Laura Fenner, gave an excellent portrayal of a sour disagreeable woman, who through her bitterness, cast a shadow on all those around her. Beverly O'Donnell gave a fine performance as an easily influenced, easily hurt, but rather lovable woman, Olly Kipax.

John Murphy gave an unusual performance as the innocent bachelor who had always been the prey of his designing relatives but who now, in middle-life wants to stop supporting them and have a home of his own. Murphy's fine stage manner and his easy laugh helped him to do an excellent piece of acting.

Thomas Sweeney, as Charlie Sayder, drifted through the play as an easy-going, indolent young salesman of collapsible barrels. Herbert Downs, gave an hilarious performance as the querulous old Mr. Filoon who had "three wives and would have another if his legs would carry him to her, b'gum!"

The performance adds another feather to Miss Nixon's hat of capable directing and takes its place as another splendid Dramatic Club production.

## FOUR INSTRUCTORS TO VISIT NEW HAVEN

Four members of our faculty will attend the New England Industrial Arts Association Conference to be held in New Haven this week. They are Messrs. Anthony, Landall, Purinton, and Hammond.

### F. T. C. Undergoes Repairs

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The buildings will undergo extensive repairs. Plastering and painting of 11 classrooms and repairs to the roof comprises the work to be done in the junior-high building. In the administration building the remodeling to be done consists of plastering and repairing the ceilings and walls, and the waterproofing of the ceilings and walls of four subways of the building.

The athletic field will undergo an entire renovation. A much needed drainage system will be developed, the entire field will be graded, seeded, and fenced in, and steps will be constructed from the field to the upper level.

This work will continue for five or six weeks. There will be no interference in the schedule of classes but the work may cause some reassignment of classrooms.

### Education Week Observed

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Administrative suggestions to the teacher. The new plan promises to meet with the approval of the teaching profession.

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